TRANSMITTAL LETTER

e Application of:
G.H. Davies et al.

Serial No: 09/936,794

Filing Date: November 13, 2001

Title: PRIMER COATING OF STEEL

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Docket No: ACO 2694 P1US

Examiner: Barr, Michael E.

Group Art Unit: 1762

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- 1. TRANSMITTAL LETTER IN DUPLICATE;
- 2. AMENDMENT WITH MARKED VERSION;
- 3. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING; and
- 4. POSTCARD

Sir:

☐ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 of:

☐ One Month (\$110.00)
☐ Three Months (\$930.00)

☐ Two Months (\$ 410.00)
☐ Four Months (\$1450.00)

☐ Additional claims are presented. The fee therefore is:

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Claims Pending	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Rate	Fee	00
Total	- 20	=	X \$18 =	\$	
Indep:	- 3	=	X \$84 =	\$	
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims			+ \$280 =	\$	
			Total	\$	

The total fee believed due is **\$0.00**. Please charge this amount and any other fees which may be due (including filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17) to Deposit Account No. 01-1350. If an extension of time is required but has not been requested above, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time sufficient for the attached document(s) to be timely. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action of October 11, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the following claims 1, 3, 4, 13 and 14.

1. (Twice amended) A process for primer coating of steel which is intended to be fabricated and overcoated, in which process the steel is primer coated with a primer coating comprising a silica binder, wherein the binder comprises an aqueous silica sol having a SiO₂/M₂O mole ratio, where M represents total alkali metal and ammonium ions, of at least 6:1, and that after the primer coating has dried to the extent that it is touch dry it is treated with a film strengthening solution.